

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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**NOTICE OF GENERIC PROCEEDING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES**

**DOCKET NO. 2014-246-E**

**PETITION TO ESTABLISH GENERIC PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO THE DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCE PROGRAM ACT**

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"), pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-825, filed a Petition to Establish Generic Proceeding Pursuant to the Distributed Energy Resource Program Act (the "Act") (Act No. \_\_\_ of 2014, Ratification No. 241, Senate Bill 1189). The Act was enacted on June 2, 2014. S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (F)(4) states, "[n]o later than thirty days after the enactment of this act, the commission shall initiate a generic proceeding for purposes of implementing the requirements of this chapter with respect to the net energy metering rates, tariffs, charges, and credits of electrical utilities, specifically to establish the methodology to set any necessary charges, and credits as required under items (1) and (2)." Section 58-40-20(F)(4) also provides, "in its notice initiating such proceeding the commission must require the electrical utilities propose methodologies required by item (1) and shall allow intervening parties to propose methodologies required by item (2)."

- **ELECTRICAL UTILITIES:** As it relates to electrical utilities, at the generic proceeding, electrical utilities must propose methodologies related to any and all costs prudently incurred pursuant to the provisions of this chapter by an electrical utility as approved by the commission and any and all commission approved benefits conferred by a customer-generator shall be recoverable by each entity respectively in the electrical utility's rates in accordance with these provisions: related to the electrical utility's general rates, tariffs, and any additional monthly charges or credits, in addition to any other charges or credits authorized by law, to recover the costs and confer the benefits of net energy metering shall include such measures necessary to ensure that the electrical utility recovers its cost of providing electrical service to customer-generators and customers who are not customer-generators.
- **INTERVENING PARTIES:** As it relates to intervening parties, at the generic proceeding, intervening parties must propose methodologies related to any and all costs prudently incurred pursuant to the provisions of this chapter by an electrical utility as approved by the commission and any and all commission approved benefits conferred by a customer-generator shall be recoverable by each entity respectively in the electrical utility's rates in accordance with these provisions: any charges or credits prescribed in item (1), and the terms and conditions under which they may be assessed shall be in accordance with a methodology established through the [generic proceeding]. The methodology shall be supported by an analysis and calculation of the relative benefits and costs of customer generation to the electrical utility, the customer-generators, and those customers of the electrical utility that are not customer-generators.

A copy of the ORS's Petition can be found on the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) under Docket No. 2014-246-E.

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**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties. The hearing may continue through October 31, 2014, at the call of the Chairman, if necessary.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **July 31, 2014**. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2014-246-E and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and all other parties of record, on or before **July 31, 2014**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2014-246-E.***

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD, pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-845:

1. **ALL PARTIES OF RECORD** must prefile with the Commission one copy of the direct testimony and exhibits of the witnesses they intend to present and serve the testimony and exhibits of their witnesses on all Parties of Record on or before **August 29, 2014** (must be post-marked on or before this date).
2. **ALL PARTIES OF RECORD** filing **Rebuttal Testimony** must prefile with the Commission one copy of the testimony and exhibits of the witnesses they intend to present and serve the testimony and exhibits of their witnesses on all Parties of Record on or before **September 29, 2014**. (Rebuttal testimony and exhibits must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on this date.)

For the most recent information regarding this docket, please refer to [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and ***Docket No. 2014-246-E***.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

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